

Rochford Rural District Council.

Rayleigh, Essex.

May 4th 1907.

F. DORRELL GRAYSON,
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

Dear Sir -

I am sorry not to be able to
comply with your request - as the
Council have decided to avoid all
unnecessary expenditure - & have not
printed the Report for 1907.
Should it however be printed in the
Year Book, a little later on. I
shall be happy to send you a
copy.

Faithfully yours

F. Dorrell Grayson M.D.

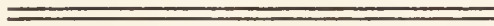
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ROCHFORD

RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL



YEAR BOOK,

1906—1907.



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LIST OF PARISHES AND RURAL DISTRICT COUNCILLORS, TOGETHER WITH INFORMATION AS TO
ACREAGE, POPULATION, AND MILEAGE OF ROADS.

PARISHES.	COUNCILLORS.	RESIDENCE.	Acreage.	Popu- lation in 1901.	Mileage of	
					Main Roads.	Parish Roads.
Ashington and South Farnbridge	Mr. J. H. Burgess	Hockley	1166	178	M. F.	M. F.
Barling	Mr. Wm. Bentall	The Wick, Southchurch	1192	166	—	3 3
Benfleet, South	Mr. Robert King	South Benfleet	1288	336	—	2 6
Canewdon	Mr. Frank Hallett	Canewdon	1948	1024	2 1	3 1
Canvey Island	Rev. W. Hagger	Canvey Island	5238	495	—	8 5
Eastwood	Mr. Allen Stallibrass	Eastwood	4214	307	—	6 4
Foulness	Rev. J. R. Brown	Foulness	3200	709	1 5 $\frac{1}{4}$	15 3
Hadleigh	Mr. D. C. Lamb	Clinton, Ailsa Road, Westcliff	7663	537	—	—
Hawkwell	Rev. G. Padfield	The Rectory, Hawkwell	1816	1343	1 3 $\frac{3}{4}$	3 5
Hockley	Mr. P. H. Seed	Hockley	1365	326	1 0	2 2
Paglesham	Mr. Henry Meeson	Church Hall, Paglesham	4475	905	1 6	9 0
Rawreth	Rev. G. G. Kemp	Rawreth, Wickford	2017	456	—	4 2
Rayleigh	Mr. T. W. Finch	Rayleigh	2375	365	3 2	3 2
"	Mr. A. Wright	Rayleigh	2906	1773	3 3 $\frac{1}{2}$	8 4
Rochford	Mr. S. S. Baker (Chairman)	Bullwood, Hockley	1867	1829	2 1	4 3
Shoebury, North	Mr. E. Jackson	Rochford	1103	205	0 6	2 2
Shopland and Sutton	Mr. James Hutley	North Shoebury	1054	54	—	1 1
Stambridge, Great and Stambridge, Little	Mr. James Tabor	The Lawn, Rochford	700	194	0 7	0 7
Thundersley	Mr. H. Rankin	Great Stambridge	2447	331	—	3 2
Wakering, Great	Mr. Wm. H. Sheridan	Gate Farm, Thundersley	605	117	—	2 1
"	Mr. G. Bishop	Great Wakering	2545	809	4 1	5 3
Wakering, Little and Havengore	Mr. Alfred Green	Great Wakering	2775	1820	2 0	2 2
	Rev. R. T. Shea	Little Wakering	2410	277	—	2 0
			299	9	—	—
			56668	14565	24 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	97 4

CHAIRMAN, VICE CHAIRMAN AND COMMITTEES,
FOR YEAR ENDING 15TH APRIL, 1908.

Chairman :—S. S. BAKER, Esq.

Vice-Chairman :—A. STALLIBRASS, Esq.

JOINT HOSPITAL COMMITTEE:

Rochford Members.
MR. J. H. BURGESS.
MR. E. JACKSON.
REV. G. PADFIELD.
MR. H. RANKIN.
MR. P. H. SEED.
MR. W. H. SHERIDAN.

MR. A. STALLIBRASS.
MR. J. TABOR (Chairman).
Shoeburyness Members.
MR. J. W. CHAPMAN.
MR. J. COOK.
MR. J. GLASSCOCK.
MR. C. H. J. TALMAGE.

WESTERN DISTRICT WATER COMMITTEE:

MR. S. S. BAKER (Chairman).
MR. T. W. FINCH.
MR. E. JACKSON.
MR. R. KING.

MR. D. C. LAMB.
REV. G. PADFIELD.
MR. P. H. SEED.
MR. JAMES TABOR.

MR. A. WRIGHT.

[The Committee meet on the second Wednesday in each month at 2.15. p.m. at the Municipal Buildings, Southend.]

GREAT WAKERING WATER COMMITTEE:

MR. W. BENTALL.

MR. G. BISHOP.

MR. A. GREEN.

REV. R. T. SHEA.

MR. A. STALLBRASS.

MR. J. TABOR.

CO-OPTED MEMBERS.

MR. J. ALP.

MR. J. MILLBOURN.

MR. E. A. WEDD.

PLANS COMMITTEE:

MR. J. H. BURGESS.

MR. A. GREEN.

MR. R. KING.

MR. D. C. LAMB.

REV. G. PADFIELD.

REV. R. T. SHEA.

MR. W. H. SHERIDAN.

MR. A. WRIGHT.

Fortnightly Meetings of the Council*For the Year 1907.*

January 1.

,, 15.

,, 29. (Pay Day.)

February 12.

,, 26. (Pay Day.)

March 12.

,, 26. (Pay Day.)

April 9.

,, 23. (Pay Day.)

May 8.

,, 21. (Pay Day.)

June 4.

,, 18. (Pay Day.)

July 2.

,, 16. (Pay Day.)

,, 30.

August 13. (Pay Day.)

,, 27.

September 10. (Pay Day.)

,, 24.

October 8. (Pay Day.)

,, 22.

November 5. (Pay Day.)

,, 19.

December 3. (Pay Day.)

,, 17.

OFFICERS OF THE COUNCIL.

NAME OF OFFICER.	OFFICE.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.	SALARY.		
			Highway Authority.	Sanitary Authority.	
Parker, Christopher William ...	Treasurer	19th August, 1902...		General. Nil	Special
Gregson, Frederic, M.A. ...	Clerk	18th February, 1890	£55	£100	
" "	{ Clerk to Joint Hospital } { Committee ... }	16th October, 1901...		£20	
Grayson, Francis Dorrell ...	Medical Officer of Health	17th February, 1903		£50	
Judd, Charles E. ...	Inspector of Nuisances ...	30th October, 1888		£100	
Sidwell, H. T. ...	Surveyor & Waterworks } Engineer .. }	28th May, 1901 ...	£140	£105	£105
Millbank, R. ...	Assistant Surveyor ...	3rd April, 1904 ...	£10	£10	£32
Laing, E. A. R. ...	{ Medical Officer of } { Infectious Hospital ... }	6th June, 1906 ...	{	£20 & 10/- for each patient, (small pox patients £4/4/-)	
Ward, Charles ...	Hospital Caretakers ...	7th November, 1906		30/- per week	
" Mrs. C. ...					
Thompson, Mrs. M. ...	Hospital Nurse	14th July, 1896 ...		£2 per week	
Grainge, Miss K. E. ...	Hospital Assistant Nurse...	21st December, 1904		21/-	"
Judd, Charles E. ...	Supt. Rayleigh Cemetery...	30th October, 1888			£3
Belcham, W. I. ...	Turncock and Collector of Water Rents. ...	17th July, 1906			£40 p.a. House & 2½% on collections.

RULES AS TO MEETINGS AND PROCEEDINGS.



Sec. 59 of the Local Government Act, 1894, provides that the following Rules shall apply in the case of every Rural District Council, except that the Chairman of the Council may be elected from outside the Councillors :—

1.—Every [Rural District Council] shall from time to time make regulations with respect to the summoning, notice, place, management, and adjournment of their meetings, and generally with respect to the transaction and management of their business under this Act.

2.—No business shall be transacted at any such meeting unless at least one-third of the full number of members be present thereat, subject to this qualification, that in no case shall a larger quorum than seven members be required.

3.—Every [Rural District Council] shall from time to time at their Annual Meeting appoint one of their number to be chairman for one year at all meetings at which he is present.

4.—If the chairman so appointed dies, resigns, or becomes incapable of acting, another member shall be appointed to be chairman for the period during which the person so dying, resigning, or becoming incapable, would have been entitled to continue in office and no longer.

5.—If the chairman is absent from any meeting at the time appointed for holding the same, the members present shall appoint one of their number to act as chairman thereat.

6.—The names of the members present, as well as of those voting on each question, shall be recorded, so as to show whether each vote given was for or against the question.

7.—Every question at a meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes of the members present and voting on that question.

8.—In case of an equal division of votes, the chairman shall have a second or casting vote.

9.—The proceedings of a [Rural District Council] shall not be invalidated by any vacancy or vacancies among their members, or by any defect in the election of such [Council], or in the election or selection or qualification of any members thereof.

10.—Any minute made of proceedings at a meeting, and copies of any orders made or resolutions passed at a meeting, if purporting to be signed by the chairman of the meeting at which such proceedings took place, or such orders were made, or resolutions were passed, or by the chairman of the next ensuing meeting, shall be received as evidence in all legal proceedings ; and until the contrary is proved every meeting where minutes of the proceedings have been so made shall be deemed to have been duly convened and held, and all the proceedings thereat to have been duly had.

11.—The Annual Meeting of a [Rural District Council] shall be held as soon as may be convenient after the 15th of April in each year.

REGULATIONS

Made pursuant to the Public Health Act, 1875, and the Local Government Act, 1894, in respect to the summoning, notice, place, management, and adjournment of Council Meetings.

1.—Council Meetings shall be held at the Workhouse, Rochford, on every alternate Tuesday, seven Councillors to form a *quorum*.

2.—An Extraordinary Meeting may be summoned to be held at any time, upon the requisition of any two Councillors, addressed to the Clerk. Every such requisition shall be made in writing, and no business other than the business specified in the requisition shall be transacted at such Extraordinary Meeting. Notice of every Extraordinary Meeting shall be given in writing to every Councillor two days beforehand if practicable.

3.—If any case of emergency arise, requiring that a Meeting of the Council should immediately take place, they, or any seven of them, may meet at the ordinary place of meeting, and take such case into consideration, and may make an order thereon.

4.—At every Meeting the Chairman, or in his absence the Vice-Chairman, shall preside; but if at the commencement of any Meeting the Chairman and Vice-Chairman be absent, the Councillors present shall elect one of themselves to preside at such Meeting as Chairman thereof, until the Chairman or Vice-Chairman take the chair.

5.—Every Councillor shall stand up when speaking, and shall address the Chairman.

6.—If two or more Councillors shall rise to speak at the same time, the Chairman shall decide which of them is to have priority.

7.—No person shall interrupt a speaker who is in possession of the Meeting save for the purpose of raising a point of order.

8.—Every appeal on a point of order is to be made to the Chairman. On a point of order being raised, the speaker in possession of the Meeting shall temporarily resume his seat whilst the Chairman (having heard what any Councillor desires to urge for or against it) decides the point of order.

9.—Every motion and amendment shall, if required by the Chairman, be committed to writing.

10.—Every motion duly moved must be seconded, and until seconded no debate thereon shall take place.

11.—Every speaker must confine himself to the question actually before the Meeting at the time he speaks, unless he rises on a point of order.

12.—A Councillor shall not speak more than once on the same motion, amendment, or point of order, except in reply upon the original motion.

In such reply he must confine himself strictly to matters already raised during the debate.

13.—A Councillor who conceives that he has been mis-represented by any subsequent speaker, may offer an explanation, but he shall strictly confine himself to such misrepresentation.

14.—Whenever an amendment is made upon any motion, no second amendment shall be moved until the first amendment is disposed of. If that amendment be carried it shall be put as an original motion upon which a further amendment may be moved.

If the first amendment be negatived then a further amendment may be moved to the original question.

15.—All amendments must be stated to the Chairman before the mover speaks thereon. No Councillor shall be at liberty to move more than one amendment upon any motion.

16.—No Councillor moving the adjournment of the debate, or the adjournment of the meeting, or that the Council proceed to the next business shall be allowed to speak for more than two minutes, and his speech shall be strictly confined to the proposal to adjourn or to proceed to the next business as the case may be.

After the motion has been seconded, without a speech, the question shall be at once put without further debate.

No similar motion shall be allowed again during the same debate unless in the opinion of the Chairman the circumstances of the question shall be materially altered.

17.—The last preceding order shall not apply where a Councillor desires to move the adjournment of the meeting for the purpose of bringing forward a matter of emergency. But a motion for that purpose shall not be made until the mover is seen to be supported by five Councillors at least rising in their places, and the mover shall not be allowed to speak for more than five minutes.

18.—A motion which has been negatived shall not be brought forward again for discussion until after the expiration of two calendar months; and if by amendments being made in it any motion becomes substantially identical with one which has been negatived within such period, it must thereupon be dropped.

19.—No motion to rescind any resolution which has been passed within the last two calendar months shall be in order unless notice of such motion was given at the next preceding meeting of the Council, and no such notice shall be received unless in addition to the name of the mover the names of six other Councillors present at the meeting are attached to the notice; but when such motion has been disposed of by the Council, it shall not be competent to review it for a further period of six calendar months.

This Order shall not apply to notices of motion to rescind which are brought up on the Report of a Committee.

20.—When a motion has been duly carried it shall be the duty of the Chairman to refuse to put at the same meeting any subsequent motion which substantially contradicts, over-rides, or repeats the former one.

21.—The Chairman may refuse to receive at a meeting any motion of which notice has not previously been given, if in his judgment it is such as to need adequate notice.

22.—A motion to suspend a Standing Order may be made without notice, but to take effect must be carried by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the Councillors present and voting. After the motion has been seconded, without a speech, the question shall be at once put without further debate.

23.—Any Councillor shall be at liberty to put a question to any officer relating strictly to his official action or duties.

In putting or answering such question no argument or opinion is to be offered.

PATIENTS ADMITTED INTO INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITALS DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1907.

NAME OF PATIENT.	AGE.	PARISH FROM WHICH ADMITTED.	DISEASE.	DATE OF ADMISSION.	DATE OF DISCHARGE OR DEATH.	PAID TO COUNCIL FOR MAINTENANCE, &c.	
						AMOUNT.	BY WHOM.
						£ s. d.	
			SUTTON FORD HOSPITAL.				
Harp, Emily	4	Shoeburyness	Scarlet Fever	February 8	April 11		Rochford Union
Lapwood, Edward	21	Canewdon	Enteric Fever	" 13	" 17	15 2 6	"
Barney, Frank	8	Shoeburyness	Scarlet Fever	January 23	" 11		"
Scarrold, Henry	20	"	"	March 28	May 16		"
Lyall, Elsie F.	6	Rayleigh	"	" 31	" "		
Gurnett, Thomas	2½	Shoeburyness	"	April 6	" 19		
" Hilda	3	"	"	" "	June 2	11 17 0	Army Paymaster
Pinborough, Violet	8	"	"	" 14	" "	14 17 0	"
Amos, Willie	5	Eastwood	"	" 28	" 24	15 2 6	Rochford Union
Cocks, Lily	7	Hawkwell	"	May 2	" 23		
" Gladys	5	"	"	" "	" "	38 16 6	"
" Frederick	3	"	"	" "	" "		
Bridge, Philip	7	Wakering, Great	Typhoid Fever	" 3	May 26	7 18 0	"
Minpress, Eva	7	Shoeburyness	Scarlet Fever	" 8	July 25		
Humphreys, Nora	6	Hawkwell	"	" 17	" 21	16 12 6	"
Glenister, Rose	22	Rayleigh	"	" "	" 28	10 17 0	"
Teele, Percy W.	3	"	"	" 24	July 21		
Humphreys, Jno.	1	Hawkwell	Diphtheria	" 27	*May 27		
Bell, Amy W.	12	"	Scarlet Fever	" 29	July 17	12 2 6	"
Diss, Herbert W.	6	Shoeburyness	"	June 18	August 1		

PATIENTS ADMITTED INTO INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITALS—Continued.

NAME OF PATIENT.	AGE.	PARISH FROM WHICH ADMITTED.	DISEASE.	DATE OF ADMIS-ION.	DATE OF DISCHARGE OR DEATH.	PAID TO COUNCIL FOR MAINTENANCE, &c.	
						AMOUNT.	BY WHOM.
			SUTTON FORD HOSPITAL (Continued.)				
Hymas, Basil ...	6	Rayleigh ...	Scarlet Fever	June 20	August 24	32 9 0	Rochford Union
" Henry ...	4	" ...	"	"	"		"
Bone, William A. ...	12	" ...	"	" 30	"	13 17 0	"
Humphreys, Gladys ...	4	" ...	"	July 12	28	12 7 0	"
Britnell, William ...	30	Woking, Great ...	Typhoid Fever	" 13	September 9	15 8 0	"
Hinton, Alice M. ...	4	Shoeburyness ...	Scarlet Fever	" 17	" 5	14 2 0	Army Paymaster
Claxton, Kate ...	18	Stambridge ...	"	August 4	" 10	20 4 0	Rochford Union
" Elizabeth...	20	" ...	"	"	" 15		"
Rivers, Kate ...	7	Woking Great ..	Typhoid Fever	" 10	" 18	10 18 0	"
" Violet ...	4	" ...	"	" 11	"	10 18 0	"
" Olander ...	3	" ...	"	" 13	*August 23	4 18 0	"
Bradshaw, Arthur ...	3	Shoeburyness ...	Scarlet Fever	" 15	28		"
Taylor, Eva E. ...	7	" ...	"	" 20	October 1		
" Kate E. ...	4	" ...	"	"	"		
Stratford, Wm. G.	7	" ...	"	" 21	6		
" Albert V. ...	2	" ...	"	"	"		
" Louisa M. ...	4	" ...	"	" 22	"		
" Flora ...	30	" ...	"	" 27	"		
Eggleton, Donald J. ...	11	Eastwood ...	Typhoid Fever	September 5	" 24		
Fance, Ellen ...	24	Woking, Great ...	Diphtheria	" 6	*September 12		
Saxton, John ...	22	Shoeburyness ...	Scarlet Fever	" 7	October 9		
Bowen, Cecil ..	8	Hockley ...	"	" 12	November 8	1 0 0	J. T. Bowen.

Cole, Thomas J.	17	Thundersley	...	Typhoid Fever	September	13	*September	18	9	2	0	Rochford Union
Spooner, Mary A.	35	Waking, Great ...	...	"	"	15	*	20				
Reenan, Maud	26	Shoeburyness	...	"	"	"	November	8	14	2	0	Army Paymaster
Spooner, Arthur	10	Waking, Great ...	...	"	"	16	October	27				
" Elsie	6	"	...	"	"	"	December	29				
Barrett, Violet	4	Shoeburyness	...	Diphtheria	"	"	*September	21				
Porter, Alfred	15	Eastwood	...	Typhoid Fever	"	25	November	3				
Edwards, Harry	11	Shoeburyness	...	"	"	28	"	"				
Auger, Harold J.	7	Hockley	...	Scarlet Fever	"	30	"	6	10	17	0	Rochford Union
Spooner, Charles	3	Waking, Great ...	...	Typhoid Fever	October	11	"	12	9	8	0	"
Cook, Eva ...	15	Shoeburyness	...	Diphtheria	"	12	"	3				
Clover, James W.	5	Thundersley	...	Scarlet Fever	"	13	December	12	4	4	0	Mr. J. Clover
Cook, Fred ...	14	Shoeburyness	...	Diphtheria	"	14	October	27				
" Sidney	10	"	...	"	"	"	December	15				
Turner, Percy W.	12	"	...	Scarlet Fever	"	15	November	29				
Dwight, James	5	"	...	"	"	17	*	2				
Button, James H.	3	Eastwood	...	Typhoid Fever	"	18	"	9	7	12	6	Rochford Union
Evans, Bertie	4	(Workhouse)	...	Scarlet Fever	"	21	"	26				
Turner, Theodore	8	Shoeburyness	...	"	"	22	December	15				
Dwight, Eleanor	15	"	...	"	"	"	"	10				
Kirby, Percy	4	"	...	"	"	24	"	18				
Dwight, Ethel M.	7	"	...	"	"	25	"	2				
" Edith	4	"	...	"	"	"	*November	17				
" Winifred	2	"	...	"	"	"	December	2				
Taylor, Alfred T.	22	"	...	"	"	26	"	15				
Goldstein, Rachel	17	Hadleigh	...	Typhoid Fever	"	"	"	18	13	12	6	"
Button, Violet A.	1	Eastwood	...	"	"	27	November	9	4	12	6	"

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						AMOUNT.	BY WHOM.
Horner, Constance	6	Rayleigh	Scarlet Fever	October 27	December 10	24 19 0	Rochford Union
" Gladys	5	"	"	"	" 21		
Tillbrook, Emily	5	Shoeburyness	"	" 30	18		
Spooner, Daisy	12	Woking, Great ...	Typhoid Fever	"	29	15 8 0	"
Turner, George	38	Shoeburyness	Scarlet Fever	November 1	" 15		
Church, Annie	39	"	Typhoid Fever	" 2	November 24		
" John	3	"	"	"	"		
" Edith	2	"	"	"	"		
Fisher, Sidney	6	"	Scarlet Fever	" 9	December 28		
Dexter, Kathleen	5	"	"	" 10	"	12 12 0	Army Paymaster
Snow, Percy R.	6	"	"	"	January 2		
Willmot, Evelyn	6	"	"	" 13	December 28		
Bridge, John	1½	Hawkevell	"	" 17	5	6 2 0	Rochford Union
Reed, James E.	4	Shoeburyness	"	" 21	2		
Taylor, C. R.	7	Thundersley	"	"	24	9 8 0	"
Ward, Charles	28	(Hospital)	"	" 17	21		
Holden, Alfred S.	12	Shoeburyness	"	" 26	7		
" Hetty	7	"	"	"	17		
" Amy	10	"	"	"	"		
Syers, Jessie	9	(Workhouse)	"	" 28	December 20	7 7 0	"
Finch, Albert Jas. ...	7	Rochford	"	" 30	January 2	8 17 0	"

JOINT

Dr. Common Fund Account for

	£	s.	d.
To Repairs to Buildings, &c.	69	16	10
„ Salaries of Caretaker and Matron	41	11	5
„ Salaries of Nurses	161	12	0
„ Salary and Remuneration of Medical Superintendent ...	71	10	0
„ Salary of Clerk	20	0	0
„ Rates and Insurance	30	1	2
„ Necessaries (Coal, Firewood, &c.) and Miscellaneous ...	235	19	9½
„ Printing, Stationery, &c.	9	14	5
„ New Disinfector	151	0	0
„ Loans and Interest	261	18	4
	1053	3	11½

Rochford Rural

To Common Fund Account	481	9	11½
	481	9	11½

Shoeburyness Urban

To Balance brought forward	64	15	3
„ Maintenance of Patients	139	5	6
„ Common Fund Account	160	10	0
	364	10	9

NOTE.—The cost of the removal, maintenance, and burial of patients during the year was as follows :—

HOSPITAL.

Year ended 31st March, 1907.

Cr.

	£	s.	d.
By General Expenses Account—amount received for main- tenance of patients	355	14	0
„ Ditto Rent of ground, Nobles Green Hospital	1	10	0
„ Rochford Rural District Council (share of expenses— three-fourths)	481	9	11½
„ Shoeburyness Urban District Council (share of expenses— one-fourth)	160	10	0
„ Grant from Essex County Council	54	0	0
	1053	3	11½

District Council.

By General Expenses Account	481	9	11½
	481	9	11½

District Council.

By Treasurer	209	11	11
„ Balance carried forward	154	18	10
	364	10	9

Rochford Rural District Council ...	£188	10	11½
Shoeburyness Urban District Council ...	139	5	6
	<u>£327</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>5½</u>

WESTERN DISTRICT

Statement shewing Receipts and Expenditure (except Receipts from

RECEIPTS.

					Rents.			Fees, &c.					
					£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Separate Parochial Receipts :—													
Water Rents and Fees for Connections, &c.													
Benfleet South	...	...	...	...	254	17	3½	5	5	0			
Hadleigh	...	...	...	...	178	13	7½	19	5	6			
Hawkwell	...	...	...	...	54	12	4	5	12	0			
Hockley	...	...	...	...	195	3	1	10	0	0			
Rayleigh	...	...	...	...	480	16	3½	40	7	0			
Rochford S.D.D.	...	...	...	...	438	13	2	2	10	0			
Rochford Suburban	...	...	...	...	60	14	4	4	4	0			
Thundersley (General)	...	...	...	...	10	10	6	3	15	0			
					1674	0	7½	90	18	6	1764	19	1½
Common Fund Receipts :—													
F. M. Sainty, Rent to 1st August, 1906	...	...	...	...				4	16	8			
Old Fittings and Iron sold...	...	...	...	...				5	0	6			
											9	17	2
Excess Expenditure charged to the several Contributory Places on Assessable Value for the time being —													
Benfleet South	...	...	...	..	...	260	2	2½					
Hadleigh	...	...	...	...	...	422	16	11½					
Hawkwell	...	...	...	...	...	155	7	8					
Hockley	...	...	...	...	...	226	18	5					
Rayleigh	...	...	...	...	...	446	16	2½					
Rochford S. D. D.	...	...	...	...	..	75	11	11½					
Rochford Suburban	...	...	...	...	...	114	15	11½					
											1702	9	4½

WATERWORKS.

and Expenditure out of Loans) for the Year ended 31st March, 1907.

EXPENDITURE.

Separate Parochial Expenditure.	Loans & Interest.	Rates.	Collect- or's Com- mission.	Printing, &c.	Bills (Miscell- aneous).	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Benfleet South	298 5 8	22 0 8	7 14 11	0 4 6	37 0 9	
Hadleigh	409 2 10	4 16 5	4 16 8	0 14 0	5 18 0	
Hawkwell	154 6 6	8 6 8	1 13 0	...	...
Hockley	255 5 10	17 0 0	5 15 3	...	5 0 3	
Rayleigh	639 12 3	16 0 0	12 19 5	0 14 6	13 13 8	
Rochford S.D.D.	306 16 4	5 18 0	15 10 10½	0 3 0	42 18 2	
„ Suburban	115 6 6	5 8 10	1 11 2½	...	...
Thundersley (General) ... ..	...	...	0 5 1	...	...
	2178 15 11	79 10 7	50 6 5	1 16 0	104 10 10	2414 19 9

Common Fund Expenditure :—

Superintendent (Mr. Sainty), Salary	59 11 5
„ Allowance for travelling expenses	8 11 8
Engineer (Mr. Sidwell), Salary	58 6 8
„ Assistant (Mr. Belcham), Salary	26 13 4
Rent of Collector's House	30 0 0
Rates, Taxes and Insurance	80 16 4
Wages of Workmen... ..	231 1 1
Baldwin's Executors, Rent of Shed	2 5 0
Establishment Expenses (Printing, Stationery, &c.)	47 10 10
Cost of New Telephone, Poles, &c.	78 1 5
„ Local Inquiry... ..	1 10 0
Telephone Wayleaves	1 2 0
Apparatus for checking Water Waste	4 10 0

Bills (Miscellaneous) :—

Benjamin & Gee	46 3 4
Anglo-American Oil Co.	51 14 10
Valvoline Oil Co.	4 17 10
Glenfield & Kennedy, Ltd.	26 9 8
F. A. Greene	17 3 0
R. Hornsby & Sons	15 5 10
Ham, Baker & Co.	40 4 7
W. A. Tookey	20 2 0
G. Chappell	67 14 6
E. Pearson	9 19 10
C. E. Lazell	11 19 1
P. A. Cowling	10 3 3
W. Thorogood	6 4 9
A. St. Claire	11 10 2
Hall & Co.	6 13 9
Miscellaneous	85 19 9
	432 6 2
	1062 5 11
	3477 5 8

WESTERN DISTRICT WATERWORKS.

Statement as to Loans for the Year ended 31st March, 1907.

Contributory Place.	Date of Borrowing	Of Whom Borrowed.	For what Ob'ect.	For what Period.	Rate of Interest.	Amount originally Borrowed.	Amounts Repaid during the Year.		Amount of Principal owing at end of Year.
							Principal.	Interest.	
				Years.	Per Cent.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Benfleet, South	1901	Blackburn Philanthropic Burial Society...	Re-payment of temporary Loan for Well...	26	3½	326	9 1 6	10 8 5	279 18 0
	1901-03	Public Works Loan Commissioners	Mains, Tower, &c	28	3¼	3590	129 0 0	87 14 6	2602 10 0
	1901	Ditto...	Extension of Mains	30	3¼	1024	34 0 0	28 1 3	838 0 0
						4910	172 1 6	126 4 2	3720 8 0
Hadleigh	1901	Blackburn Philanthropic Burial Society...	Re-payment of temporary Loan for Well...	26	3½	334	9 5 6	10 12 5	286 16 6
	1901-03	Public Works Loan Commissioners	Mains, Tower, &c...	28	3¼	4885	176 0 0	119 6 1	3539 0 0
	1901	Ditto...	Extension of Mains	30	3¼	708	23 12 0	20 7 6	609 4 0
	1906	Ditto...	Ditto...	30	3¼	726	24 4 0	25 15 4	701 16 0
						6653	233 1 6	176 1 4	5136 16 6
Hawkwell	1901	Blackburn Philanthropic Burial Society...	Re-payment of temporary Loan for Well	26	3½	94	2 12 1	2 19 11	80 14 5
	1901-03	Public Works Loan Commissioners	Mains, Tower, &c	28	3¼	1039	37 4 0	25 8 6	754 8 0
	1901	Ditto...	Extension of Mains	30	3¼	360	12 0 0	10 4 9	306 0 0
	1906	Ditto...	Ditto...	30	3¼	926	31 0 0	32 17 3	895 0 0
						2419	82 16 1	71 10 5	2036 2 5

Hockley	...	1901	Blackburn Philanthropic Burial Society ...	Re-payment of temporary Loan for Well ...	26	3½	228	6 6 8	7 6 11	195 15 8
		1901-03	Public Works Loan Commissioners ...	Mains, Tower, &c. ...	28	3¼	3189	114 0 0	78 0 4	2315 0 0
		1904	Ditto ...	Extension of Mains ...	30	3¼	224	7 10 0	6 14 7	201 10 0
		1906	Ditto ...	" "	30	3¼	512	17 4 0	18 3 4	494 16 0
							4153	145 0 8	110 5 2	3207 1 8
Rayleigh	...	1901	Blackburn Philanthropic Burial Society ...	Re-payment of temporary Loan for Well ...	26	3½	548	15 5 1	17 8 0	470 10 1
		1901-03	Public Works Loan Commissioners ...	Mains, Tower, &c. ...	28	3¼	6479	232 0 0	158 8 9	4701 0 0
		1904	Ditto ...	Extension of Mains ...	30	3¼	619	20 13 4	18 12 2	557 0 0
		1906	Ditto ...	" "	30	3¼	2571	86 0 0	91 4 11	2485 0 0
							10217	353 18 5	285 13 10	8213 10 1
Rochford S.D.D.	...	1901	Blackburn Philanthropic Burial Society ...	Re-payment of temporary Loan for Well ...	26	3½	472	13 3 5	15 1 0	405 4 3
		1901-03	Public Works Loan Commissioners ...	Mains, Tower, &c. ...	28	3¼	4474 } 111 }	166 0 0	112 11 11	3340 0 0
		1904	Ditto ...	Extension of Mains ...	30	3¼	5057	179 3 5	127 12 11	3745 4 3
Rochford Suburban		1901	Blackburn Philanthropic Burial Society ...	Re-payment of temporary Loan for Well ...	26	3½	147	4 1 10	4 13 7	126 4 2
		1901-03	Public Works Loan Commissioners ...	Mains, Tower, &c. ...	28	3¼	1344	48 0 0	32 17 10	976 20 0
		1906	Ditto ...	Extension of Mains, &c. ...	30	3¼	371	12 10 0	13 3 3	358 10 0
							1862	64 11 10	50 14 8	1460 14 2
						Totals ...	35301	1230 13 5	948 2 6	27519 17 1

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GENERAL EXPENSES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

HIGHWAYS.								£	s.	d.
To	Maintenance and Repair of District Roads	5760	16	10
„	Salaries	...	...	...	...	...	...	223	13	4
„	Other Establishment Charges	...	...	...	...	...	...	47	7	8
„	Loan and Interest (Eastwood Road)	...	...	...	...	...	...	738	4	10
								6770	2	8
PUBLIC HEALTH, &c.										
To	Hospital—Cost of Maintenance of Patients	...	...	...	...	...	...	188	10	11½
„	Joint Hospital—Rural District Council's share of expenses (three-fourths)	...	...	...	...	...	...	481	9	11½
„	Salaries	...	...	...	...	...	...	379	0	0
„	Other Establishment Charges	...	...	...	...	...	...	152	8	8
„	Legal Expenses	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	3	4
„	Disinfecting, and Compensation for the Destruction of Clothing, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	...	163	2	8
„	Infectious Diseases (Notification) Acts	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	18	0
„	Lists of Births and Deaths	2	4	0
„	Analyses of Water	34	17	0
								1417	14	7

COMMON FUND ACCOUNT,

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31st MARCH, 1907.

HIGHWAYS.							£	s.	d.
By	Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, 1896	326	16	9
,,	Grant for Maintenance, &c., of Eastwood-Rayleigh Road	...	...	...	...	...	135	0	0
,,	Fines and Fees	...	...	...	...	...	3	19	11
,,	Wayleave for Slurry Pipe at Little Wakering	...	...	...	...	...	10	0	0
,,	Receipts in respect of Extraordinary Traffic	...	...	...	...	...	3	5	0
							479	1	8
,,	Amount divided amongst the Parishes	...	...	...	...	...	6291	1	0
							6770	2	8
PUBLIC HEALTH, &c.									
By	Maintenance and Treatment of Patients in Hospital—General	...	...	...	...	...	5	4	0
,,	Ditto Ditto —Shoeburyness	...	...	...	...	...
	Urban District Council	...	...	...	...	...	35	7	6
,,	Rent of ground, Nobles Green Hospital	...	...	...	...	...	1	10	0
,,	Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, 1896	...	...	...	...	...	139	10	3
,,	Grant in Respect of Salaries of M.O.H. and Inspector	...	...	...	...	...	75	0	0
,,	Fines and Fees	...	...	...	...	...	2	0	0
,,	Insurance Premium repaid	...	...	.....	...	...	1	10	4
,,	Byelaws sold	...	...	...	...	...	0	2	6
							260	4	7
,,	Amount divided amongst the Parishes	...	...	...	...	...	1157	10	0
							1417	14	7

PARTICULARS OF SPECIAL EXPENSES IN FINANCIAL STATEMENT,

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1907.

Contributory Places.	Sewerage.	Sewage Disposal.	Water-works.	Cemetery.	Dust Removal.	Street Watering.	Allotments.	Surveyor's and Assistant Surveyor's Salaries.	Loans and Interest.	Total.	Assessable Value on which Special Rates were levied.		Total Special Rates per £ levied during year.
											Mich. Half-Year	Y. Day Half-Year	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Ashington	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1 1 11	...	1 1 11	...	...	...
Barling	...	...	...	...	7 7 8	...	...	2 1 7	...	9 9 3	...	...	...
Benfleet South	97 12 4	...	216 13 10	...	...	...	...	6 17 1	298 5 8	619 8 11	4186	4214	1/4
Canewdon	3 1 8	...	11 10 10	...	...	...	0 15 2	3 15 8	25 14 9	44 18 1	1694	...	4d.
Canvey Island	...	...	12 11 8	...	...	...	...	3 6 0	...	15 17 8	...	...	...
Eastwood	...	...	...	...	15 2 8	...	...	8 12 10	...	23 15 6	...	...	...
Fambridge South	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1 8 4	...	1 8 4	...	...	...
Hadleigh	3 14 0	...	192 7 9	...	30 12 8	...	...	8 2 10	409 2 10	614 0 1	5316	5180	2/1
Hawkwell	55 13 6	2 12 1	154 6 6	212 12 1	1313	1325	3/2
Hockley	166 15 8	6 19 6	255 5 10	429 1 0	3784	3851	2/-
Paglesham	0 12 0	2 13 10	...	3 5 10

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BALANCES AT

							£	s.	d.
Shoeburyness Urban District Council (Joint Hospital)...	...						154	18	10
Inspector's Petty Cash ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	13	9
Clerk's Petty Cash...	...	..	...	...	..	...	16	8	2
Surveyor's Cash Account ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	31	19	5
Waterworks Engineer ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	15	5
Collector of W.D. Water Rents ... ..	...	...	...	...	..	...	3	12	11½
„ „ Fees ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	17	0
„ Wakering Water Rate ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	1	0
Income Tax Account ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	5	11

PAROCHIAL BALANCES :—

			General.			Special.			
			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
Barling ... ..	...	...				2	1	6	
Benfleet, South ... ..	...	...				167	15	4½	
Canvey Island ... ..	...	...				9	6	4	
Eastwood ... ..	...	...				13	11	11	
Hadleigh ... ..	...	...				5	18	0	
Havengore ... ..	...	...	0	9	3				
Hockley... ..	...	...				1	3	5	
Rochford S.D.D. ... ..	...	...				348	0	5½	
Stambridge, Great ... ..	...	...				0	14	4	
Wakering, Great				41	17	7½	
„ Little				3	0	8	
			0	9	3	591	9	7½	591 18 10½

Carried forward 827 11 4

31st MARCH, 1907.

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					£	s.	d.
Treasurer, General Account	105	19	10
PAROCHIAL BALANCES:—							
		General.			Special.		
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Ashington	...	8	12	11	2	19	10
Barling	...	15	12	8			
Benfleet, South	...	44	0	11			
Canewdon	...	26	11	6	10	4	7
Canvey Island	...	17	12	0			
Eastwood	...	55	17	9			
Fambridge, South	...	12	15	6	2	13	2
Foulness	...	7	10	8½			
Hadleigh	...	48	6	3			
Hawkwell	...	14	17	2	14	0	6
Hockley	...	46	11	9			
Paglesham	...	19	12	10	1	18	7
Rawreth	...	12	18	0	0	2	8
Rayleigh	...	67	19	1	48	3	6
Rochford S.D.D.	...	38	16	5			
Rochford, Suburban	...	17	2	11	8	3	8
Shoebury, North	...	15	11	8	1	3	0
Shopland	...	7	11	6	2	14	11
Stambridge, Great	...	18	16	7			
Stambridge, Little	...	8	9	11	2	0	3
Sutton	...	9	15	7	4	0	2
Thundersley	...	43	17	6	2	4	8
Wakering, Great	...	41	19	0			
Wakering, Little	...	20	1	10½			
					621	2	0
					100	9	6
					721	11	6
Carried forward	827	11	4

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BALANCES AT 31st.

				£	s.	d.			
<i>Brought forward</i>				827	11	4			
LOAN BALANCES :—									
				Permanent Works a/c	Treasurer.				
Eastwood Road Improvement, No. 1				3114	0	0			
Eastwood Road Improvement, No. 2				595	0	0			
Western District Water				20073	1	1			
Water Main Extensions, No. 1 ...				2511	14	0			
Do. do. No. 2 :—									
Do. do. (Hadleigh)				289	19	6	411	16	6
Do. do. (Hawkwell)				568	14	0	326	6	0
Do. do. (Hockley)				416	2	10	78	13	2
Do. do. (Rayleigh)				2382	1	11	102	18	1
Do. do. (Rochford Subn.)				299	10	5	58	19	7
Wakering Water Supply ...				1520	13	9	267	6	3
Canewdon Well Improvements ...				130	0	0			
Sutton Ford Hospital				3196	0	0			
Nobles Green Hospital				280	0	0			
Rayleigh Cemetery				225	11	11			
				35602	9	5	1245	19	7
							36848	9	0
							£ 37676	0	4

LOAN STATEMENT.

Showing the several sums borrowed by the Council, the purposes for which the Loans were obtained, the amounts repaid, and the Balances owing on the 31st March, 1907.

AMOUNT ORIGINALLY BORROWED.	DATE OF BORROWING.	OF WHOM BORROWED.	FOR WHAT OBJECT.	FOR WHAT PERIOD.	RATE OF INTEREST.	AMOUNTS REPAYED DURING THE YEAR.			AMOUNT OF PRINCIPAL OWING AT END OF YEAR.			
						PRINCIPAL.		INTEREST.				
						£	s.					d.	£	s.	d.
				Years.	Per Cent.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
£ 650	1876 Nov. 28	Public Works Loan } Commissioners	Sewerage Works } at Rochford ... }	30	3½	29	16	10	1	0	11	—
650	1883 June 9	Prudential Assurance } Company ... }	Providing Ceme- } tery at Rayleigh }	30	4	27	9	4	10	2	6	225 11 11
2,000	1901 May 11	Public Works Loan } Commissioners }	Sutton Ford Hospital	30	3¼	134	0	0	107	2	9	3196 0 0
2,000	Aug. 12											
300	1904 Aug. 1	Ditto	Nobles Green "	30	3¾	10	0	0	10	15	7	280 0 0
180	1902 March 29	Ditto	Canewdon Well }	15	3¼	21	0	0	4	14	9	130 0 0
60	" 29		Improvements }	7								

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ROCHFORD RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT, showing the Receipts, Expenditure, and Balances, for the Year ended 31st March, 1907.

Parish or other separate Contributory Place.	Balance in favour of each Place at the commencement of this Year.		RECEIPTS.						Balance against each Place at the end of this Year.		TOTAL.	Balance against each Place at the commencement of this Year.		EXPENDITURE.						Balance in favour of each Place at the end of this Year.		TOTAL.	Amount of the Assessable Value upon which Contributions have been calculated.	
			Contributions paid during this Year.			Other Receipts during the Year.								General Expenses. (See pp 22-23).			Separate (Election) Charges.	Special Expenses. (See pp 24-25).						
	General Expenses.	Special Expenses.	General Expenses.		Special Expenses.	General Expenses.	Special Expenses.	General Expenses.	Special Expenses.	General Expenses.		Special Expenses.	Highway.	Sanitary.	General Expenses.	Special Expenses.								
			Highway.	Sanitary.														Highway.	Sanitary.					
Ashingdon	£ s. d. 6 2 4	£ s. d. 1 1 9	£ 73	£ 15	£ s. d. 3 0 0	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. 98 4 1	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. 72 11 1	£ s. d. 12 18 4	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. 1 1 11	£ s. d. 8 12 11	£ s. d. 2 19 10	£ s. d. 98 4 1	£ 761	£ 831			
Barling	14 12 0	0 7 9	133	26	7 0 0	..	..	..	2 1 6	183 1 3	..	..	133 19 5	23 19 11	..	9 9 3	15 12 8	..	183 1 3	1585	1475
Benfleet, South ..	49 0 3	..	452	85	252 7 1	0 5 10	254 17 3½	..	167 15 4½	1261 5 10	..	55 10 10	460 1 0	82 4 2	..	619 8 11	44 0 11	..	1261 5 10	5201	5299			
Canewdon	28 16 9	19 3 2	248	43	35 19 6	3 16 6	1 1 9	..	..	379 17 8	..	..	252 0 1	45 1 8	..	45 19 10	26 11 6	10 4 7	379 17 8	2879	2869
Canvey Island	22 7 4	5 11 4	212	41	3 0 0	..	..	..	7 6 4	291 5 0	..	..	218 13 8	39 1 8	..	15 17 8	17 12 0	..	291 5 0	2538	2528
Eastwood	58 16 8	0 3 7	569	109	10 0 0	1 13 6	..	..	13 11 11	762 5 8	..	..	579 1 3	103 11 2	..	23 15 6	55 17 9	..	762 5 8	6525	6620
Fambridge, South ..	9 6 7	1 1 6	95	19	3 0 0	..	..	..	..	127 8 1	..	..	93 14 10	16 16 3	..	1 8 4	12 15 6	2 13 2	127 8 1	1128	1008
Foulness	26 3 1½	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	40 3 1½	..	..	..	32 12 5	..	..	7 10 8½	..	40 3 1½	2084	2081
Hadleigh	55 15 9	..	536	100	508 2 2	0 5 8	178 13 7½	..	5 18 0	1384 15 2½	..	48 13 8½	546 2 0	97 13 2	..	644 0 1	48 6 3	..	1384 15 2½	6135	6306			
Havengore .....	..	..	..	..	..	1 0 1	..	0 9 3	..	1 9 4	..	0 9 11	..	0 19 5	..	..	..	..	1 9 4	62	62
Hawkwell	17 2 3	..	167	32	181 6 4	..	54 12 4	..	..	452 0 11	..	9 6 1	170 15 8	29 9 5	..	212 12 1	14 17 2	14 0 6	452 0 11	1888	1962	
Hockley	46 5 4	..	463	86	295 16 5	0 9 8	195 3 1	..	1 3 5	1087 17 11	..	63 1 11	465 16 8	83 6 7	..	429 1 0	46 11 9	..	1087 17 11	5224	5286			
Paglesham	18 14 5	..	176	32	6 0 0	0 4 0	..	..	..	232 18 5	..	0 15 7	175 17 2	31 8 5	..	3 5 10	19 12 10	1 18 7	232 18 5	2039	1974
Rawreth	14 10 5	0 2 6	129	25	2 0 0	..	..	..	..	170 12 11	..	..	132 1 3	23 11 2	..	1 19 10	12 18 0	0 2 8	170 12 11	1491	1522
Rayleigh	79 9 9	..	773	148	760 12 3	..	480 16 3½	..	..	2241 18 3½	..	116 11 7	791 4 5	141 6 3	..	1076 13 5½	67 19 1	48 3 6	2241 18 3½	8886	9176	
Rochford S.D.D.	37 0 4	2 10 0	390	77	138 15 4	..	440 15 8	..	348 0 5½	1434 1 9½	..	..	394 13 5	70 10 6	..	930 1 5½	38 16 5	..	1434 1 9½	4251	4525	
Rochford Suburban	20 7 6	..	189	32	148 17 0	0 6 11	60 14 4	..	..	451 5 9	..	22 19 4½	190 13 1	33 18 5	..	178 8 3½	17 2 11	8 3 8	451 5 9	2305	2223	
Shoebury, North..	16 4 3	..	154	28	4 0 0	..	..	..	..	202 4 3	..	0 9 5	154 19 5	27 13 2	..	2 7 7	15 11 8	1 3 0	202 4 3	1787	1773
Shopland	4 18 6	1 12 1	58	12	2 0 0	..	..	..	..	78 10 7	..	..	57 4 0	10 3 0	..	0 17 2	7 11 6	2 14 11	78 10 7	653	650
Stambridge, Great	16 10 3	..	150	29	5 0 0	1 8 4	..	..	0 14 4	202 12 11	..	0 18 1	151 2 1	26 19 11	..	4 16 3	18 16 7	..	202 12 11	1754	1694	
Stambridge, Little	6 18 2	1 4 11	82	17	2 0 0	..	..	..	..	109 3 1	..	..	82 13 5	14 14 10	..	1 4 8	8 9 11	2 0 3	109 3 1	924	932
Sutton	6 8 3	1 5 4	87	16	4 0 0	..	..	..	..	114 13 7	..	..	84 10 8	15 2 0	..	1 5 2	9 15 7	4 0 2	114 13 7	963	964
Thundersley	42 16 10	0 11 10	422	81	8 0 0	0 8 11	..	..	..	554 17 7	..	..	426 4 10	76 3 5	..	6 7 2	43 17 6	2 4 8	554 17 7	4819	4852
Wakering, Great..	13 14 1	..	426	84	197 12 0	2 3 8	89 14 0	..	41 17 7½	885 1 4½	..	0 5 4	436 4 3	77 14 6	..	328 18 3½	41 19 0	..	885 1 4½	4859	5082			
Wakering, Little..	23 9 5½	1 15 9	215	42	6 0 0	..	..	..	3 0 8	291 5 10½	..	..	220 17 4	39 10 3	..	10 16 5	20 1 10½	..	291 5 10½	2521	2515
TOTALS ..	665 10 7	36 11 6	6199	1193	2584 8 1	12 3 1	1756 8 4½	0 9 3	591 9 7½	13039 0 6	0 9 11	318 11 11	6292 1 0	1156 10 0		4549 16 2	621 2 9	100 9 6	13039 0 6	73262	74271			

Total Receipts (exclusive of Balances), £11744 19 6½.

Total Expenditure (exclusive of Balances), £11988 7 2.

RURAL DISTRICT OF ROCHFORD.

Annual Report for 1906

OF THE

Medical Officer of Health.

Localities.	Area in Acres.	Population in 1901.	Estimated Population in 1905.
Rayleigh (10 parishes) ...	25,837	8,401	8,666
Rochford (8 parishes) ...	15,293	3,939	3,977
Wakering (5 parishes) ...	15,538	3,339	3,385
Totals ...	56,668	15,679	16,028

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF

THE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

GENTLEMEN,

According to the usual custom I beg to submit the Annual Report for the year 1906.

The Localities remain as in the last few years,—that is, they correspond with the Registration Sub-Districts.

The population is not easy to estimate as there are no reliable statistics beyond the Census of 1901 to which I can refer. A district like this, which is undergoing transformation from an agricultural to a more or less residential one, and where the rise and wane of industrial occupations (brick-making, electric works, etc.) bring a considerable influence to bear upon the number of inhabitants, is one in which it is more than usually difficult to make an estimate of the population.

However, taking my estimate of last year as a foundation, 15,680, and adding the excess of births over deaths (118)—not so great a one as in 1905, when it was 202—and estimating a slight increase in the Rayleigh and Rochford Localities, I make a total increase of about 348, bringing the population up to 16,028, which figure I take as the basis of the vital statistics.

BIRTHS.

The number of births is lower than last year, being 385 against 421, a decrease of 36, and 25.7 lower than the average of the last 10 years (410.7).

Taking the population as above (16,028), this gives a Birth Rate of 24.02, compared with 26.84 in 1905, and is the lowest recorded in the last 10 years. It shews a decrease of 2.82 per thousand, compared with that of 1905. Last year the decrease as compared with 1895 (when it was 34.1) was 7.26, this year the decrease still descends to 10.08; the cause being that younger folks migrate to the towns and cities, whilst the townsman having finished his career or business, returns at a later age to enjoy the amenities of a country life.

DEATHS.

The total number of deaths was 265, being 46 more than in 1905. Taking the population as 16,028, we have a GROSS DEATH RATE of 16.5, and subtracting the 52 non-residents who died in the Public Institutions in your district, and adding the two residents who died in a Public Institution beyond it we have 215 Nett Deaths, and a CORRECTED DEATH RATE of 13.4, which is 1.22 more than last year, and is .5 more than the average for the last four years, previous to which there was no record.

There were 14 deaths from Pulmonary Phthisis (Consumption), 6 from other Tubercular Diseases, and 9 from Cancer.

There were 82 deaths of persons over 65, one being a Centenarian of Hadleigh, who is certified as having died from Gastric Catarrh. Thirty-two persons died from Heart Disease in its many phases, and 54 came under the heading of "All Other Causes." Seventy-seven deaths were registered as occurring in the Public Institutions, as compared with 59 for 1905.

INFANTILE MORTALITY.

The Infantile Mortality Rate compares favourably with that of last year, being 109.09 against 118.7. The number of deaths were 42 as against 50.

Ten died under one week, the causes of death being Premature Birth 2, Congenital Defects 2, Convulsions 1, and Atrophy, Debility, and Marasmus 5. Fourteen died under one month, and 28 between the ages of four weeks and 12 months. Diarrhœa (including Enteritis and Intestinal

Catarrh) caused the deaths of 50 per cent of the latter. No child under 12 months died from any of the common Infectious Diseases, unless a death of a child of 5-6 months certified as from Croup (? Diphtheria) be included.

ZYMOTIC DISEASES.

The number of Certificates received under the notification of Diseases Act was 120—36 more than in 1905; of these however 10 were notified from the Hospital itself, and six from the Union Infirmary, compared with 5 from the Hospital and 4 from the Union Infirmary in 1905.

The deaths from these Zymotic Diseases number 39; Enteric 7; Scarlet Fever 2; Diarrhœa 18; Enteritis 4; Diphtheria 1; Measles 5; Puerperal Fever 1; Erysipelas 1; giving a rate per 1000 of 2.4.

The increase of deaths in 1906 over those in 1905 was distributed generally. The great increase was due to the number of deaths from Diarrhœa and Enteritis, caused by the great heat of last year's long summer.

TABLE OF DEATHS FROM ZYMOTIC DISEASES.

	1902.	1903.	1904.	1905.	1906.
Small Pox	6	0	0	0	0
Diphtheria and Mem- branous Croup ... }	3	3	3	0	1
Typhoid Fever	1	8	7	4	7
Puerperal Fever	1	1	2	0	1
Scarlet Fever	0	0	0	1	2
Erysipelas	1	0	1	0	1
Measles	1	1	0	0	5
Whooping Cough	4	2	3	0	0
Diarrhœa and Enteritis ...	3	2	12	2	22
Totals... ..	20	17	28	7	39

SCARLET FEVER.

There were more cases of this Fever reported in this district than in any previous year. They were widely scattered and mostly of a mild nature. The source of origin in many cases could not be discovered, but once a case, however mild, occurs in a family of children, the others frequently contract it; sometimes, however, nothing is known of it, and occasionally the illness is of so trifling a nature as to cause no suspicion during its incubation even in the doctor's mind (if called in) as to the true nature of the case until one of the others contract it in a more severe form.

There were 58 cases notified (5 from the Hospital—one the Hospital Male Attendant) and three of the whole number died; two in Hospital and one outside.

SMALL POX.

There have been no cases reported in the district during the past year.

DIPHTHERIA.

Fourteen cases were notified; five from the Hospital and nine from seven different parishes, of the total number one proved fatal. With the exception of three Hospital cases notified on the same day they were separated from one another by long intervals of both time and distance; were in fact sporadic, and beyond the insanitary conditions of the premises, no exact cause could be discovered.

ERYSIPELAS.

There were 20 cases notified; four more than last year. With the exception of one death, they were of a mild nature, and were attributed to insanitary conditions or climatic influences.

ENTERIC FEVER.

There were 28 cases of this disease reported ; two more only than last year, and bears favourable comparison with 62 in 1903, and 36 in 1904. Of these 28, nineteen occurred in one parish, and my opinion with regard to its prevalence has been already communicated to your Council. This parish, like others in the district, lacks any system of drainage, and, for reasons explained, distance from the Standpipes and the somewhat unpleasant flavour of the newly laid on water, has caused the continued use of the old, and I am convinced, unsafe water. I am quite aware of the great cost of drainage works and the increased burden upon the Ratepayer, but I am bound to say that drinking water from old unprotected wells in close proximity to old uncemented cesspools is the cause of the prevalence of Enteric Fever in this parish, and should your Council decide not to close these wells, I would urge the great advisability of issuing notices or affixing plates to these wells, cautioning people against their continued use, as I am convinced that by so doing you will lower the number of cases of this preventible disease.

Unfortunately the condition of unprotected, uncemented wells and cesspools is not peculiar to this especial parish, and is to my mind the cause of our great number of cases as compared with neighbouring districts. Indeed it may truthfully be said that here Enteric is perennially endemic, and so long as this condition continues it must be so. I recommend that at least new buildings in your district should not be allowed to be occupied unless the wells and cesspools, where there are any, are properly cemented ; the wells to a depth of eight feet, and the cesspools entirely.

The new Thresh's Disinfector gives great satisfaction, and has been doing good work during the year.

DAIRIES, COWSHEDS, & MILK SHOPS.

These are generally in a satisfactory condition. The remarks of last year still hold good, and there is an improving tendency, but the state of some of the sheds is far from ideal—and if the Act is to be carried out, an example will have to be made of some of the cowkeepers—at present they plead ignorance of any Byelaws.

WATER SUPPLY.

Waterpipes for Great Wakering Parish were laid by the end of February, and the parish supplied with excellent water from the Southend Water Co. ; unfortunately it has a slight tarry flavour (a not uncommon experience with new pipes), and the water, to my regret, is not used very freely, but as the taste wears off, I have no doubt the parishioners will appreciate its advantages. As I have dilated on this matter elsewhere, I say no more just now except to regret it was not practicable to lay it on to the houses.

By the end of May the various water extensions at Hockley, Hadleigh, and Rayleigh were completed, and have since proved of good service in these places.

I notice that the proposed Reservoirs at South Benfleet and Potash Hill are still under consideration, but with the number of houses which have no other means of obtaining water, it is advisable that some means of storing it should be devised, as it is conceivable the consumers might be put to grave and even dangerous inconvenience in the perhaps unlikely event of anything occurring which might cut off the supply for 24 hours or more.

DRAINS AND SEWERS.

I am afraid that in my last Report I was too precipitate in my remark that a commencement had been made with regard to the Sewerage of Rochford. It should have been made clear that this was so, only so far as applying for a loan for the work. Upon an enquiry being held, the Local Government Board placed its veto upon the Scheme, and the matter now stands over for further consideration.

This town has an advantage over its neighbours in so far as it already has a Sewerage System, although perhaps not all that could be desired. It is better off in that respect than Hadleigh, Rayleigh, Hockley and Great Wakering, to say nothing of South Benfleet, where I understand in consequence of legal proceedings the matter is coming to a head. I may say that I quite recognize the expense that a sewerage system for these places would entail, but from a sanitary point of view they are necessary, and it is imperative that I mention the matter in this Report. As regards South Benfleet there was not one case of a Notifiable Disease reported during the year.

SCHOOLS.

Non-Notifiable Infectious Disease has caused the closure of three Schools during 1906. South Benfleet and Great Wakering Schools were closed for three weeks in consequence of an epidemic of measles ; Eastwood School was closed for 14 days on account of the prevalence of mumps ; Scarlet Fever necessitated the closure of Hawkwell School for three weeks ; whilst Hockley and Thundersley Schools were closed for a few days each to allow of cleansing and disinfecting them, in order to allay the nervous apprehensions of parents who refrained from sending their children to school, owing to one or two cases of Scarlet Fever having occurred.

GIPSIES.

These unsavoury people have been the source of considerable annoyance to their neighbours at Eastwood in consequence of their filthy habits. Upon two or three occasions in the early part of the year, police court proceedings were taken against them for not having sufficient or proper sanitary accommodation, and convictions were obtained, but such trifling fines were imposed by the sitting Bench as to make the proceedings a farce. Since then, however, a large batch of them have been convicted before a somewhat differently composed Bench, and smart fines of £2 and costs have been inflicted, which it is hoped will shew these people they must not become an annoyance to their neighbours, and that they will see fit to move on. What the result will be remains to be seen.

BRICKFIELDS AND RUBBISH HEAPS.

These have given no cause for offence this year, indeed unfortunately for the labourers they have not been in anything like full work; but the rubbish at one field was the cause of complaint. It was ultimately found that the owners were within their rights, and nothing beyond remonstrance could be done. A rubbish heap composed of matter brought by the Southend Corporation was also complained of, but the owner of the field met us in a fair and satisfactory manner, and the nuisance was abated. It may be interesting to say that a ratepayer who was very emphatic in his complaint about this particular heap has since built a house at the very limit of his property—immediately adjoining the heap,—in fact he could get no nearer.

Summing up, I think it may be said that the Health Statistics of the District are fairly favorable. The Birth and Death Rates are of course liable to fluctuations.

The death rate is but .5 per 1000 above the average for the last four years, and is well below that of the County generally. The birth rate continues to decrease, and I have stated the cause.

Appended are the various Statistical Tables, and the Report of the Inspector of Nuisances is attached.

I have the honour to be,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

F. DORRELL GRAYSON.

February 23rd, 1907.

TABLE I.
VITAL STATISTICS OF WHOLE DISTRICT DURING 1906 AND PREVIOUS YEARS.

Year.	Population estimated to middle of each Year.	Births.		Total Deaths registered in the District.				Total Deaths in Public Institutions in the District.
		Number.	Rate.	Under 1 year of Age.		At all Ages.		
				Number	Rate per 1,000 Births registered.	Number	Rate.	
1897	11,951	380	31.8	42	110.5	197	14.7	21
1898	14,524	383	26.3	50	130	269	16.5	29
1899	14,889	383	25.7	49	127	274	16.5	28
1900	15,487	383	24.7	39	101.82	238	12.8	43
1901	14,457	397	27.46	49	123.42	251	14.9	35
1902	15,250	414	27.14	30	72.46	241	15.8	66
1903	15,444	414	26.80	32	77.29	214	13.8	52
1904	15,679	441	28.12	49	111.1	250	15.9	63
1905	15,680	421	26.84	50	118.7	219	13.96	59
1906	16,028	385	24.02	42	109.09	265	16.5	77

Deaths of Non-residents registered in Public Institutions in the District ... 52
Deaths of Residents registered in Public Institutions beyond the District ... 2
Nett Deaths at all Ages belonging to the District, 215 ; rate, 13.4. Total population at all ages, 14,457
Area of District in acres (exclusive of area covered by water), 56,658. Institutions within the District receiving sick and infirm persons from outside the District—1, Union Workhouse, Rochford. 2. Isolation Hospital, Sutton Ford Bridge. 3. Small Pox Hospital, Nobles Green, Eastwood.

TABLE II.
VITAL STATISTICS OF SEPARATE LOCALITIES IN 1906 AND PREVIOUS YEARS.

Names of Localities.	ROCHFORD.				RAYLEIGH.				WAKERING.			
	Population esti- mated to middle of each year.	Births registered.	Deaths at all Ages.	Deaths under 1 year.	Population esti- mated to middle of each Year.	Births registered.	Deaths at all Ages.	Deaths under 1 year.	Population esti- mated to middle of each Year.	Births registered.	Deaths at all Ages.	Deaths under 1 year.
1898	}	—	No record	—	—	No record	No record	—	—	No record	No record	—
1899												
1900		3044	...	...	8015	209	...	...	3528	91	...	...
1901		3790	51	...	7554	201	124	...	3113	75	41	...
1902		3877	115	9	8108	234	102	16	3265	80	24	5
1903		3917	91	12	8242	235	92	12	3285	88	31	8
1904		3939	47	9	8401	242	123	30	3339	105	48	10
1905		3939	68	15	8402	257	83	22	3339	79	40	13
1906		3977	50	14	8666	211	128	24	3385	76	37	4

TABLE III.
CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR 1906.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE.	CASES NOTIFIED IN WHOLE DISTRICT.						TOTAL CASES NOTIFIED IN EACH LOCALITY.			No. of CASES REMOVED TO HOSPITAL FROM EACH LOCALITY.		
	At Ages.—Years.						Rochford (W.)	Rayleigh. (H.)	Wakering.	Rochford.	Rayleigh.	Wakering.
	At all Ages.	Under 1.	1 to 5	5 to 15.	15 to 25.	25 to 65.						
Small-pox ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cholera ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Diphtheria ...	14	...	2	11	1	...	1	10	3	...	2	1
Membranous Croup ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Erysipelas ...	20	...	...	...	4	12	12	6	2	...	...	...
Scarlet Fever ...	58	1	12	34	6	5	14	41	3	12	16	1
Typhus Fever...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Enteric Fever...	28	...	8	7	6	7	3	6	19	1	6	9
Relapsing Fever	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Continued Fever	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Puerperal Fever	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Plague ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals ...	120	1	22	52	17	24	30	63	27	13	24	11

Isolation Hospitals—Sutton Ford, Eastwood, and Nobles Green, Eastwood (Small Pox).

TABLE IV.
CAUSES OF, AND AGES AT, DEATH DURING YEAR 1906.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	DEATHS AT THE SUBJOINED AGES OF "RESIDENTS" WHETHER OCCURRING IN OR BEYOND THE DISTRICT.							DEATHS AT ALL AGES OF "RESI- DENTS" BELONGING TO LOCALITIES, WHETHER OCCUR- RING IN OR BEYOND THE DISTRICT.			TOTAL DEATHS WHETHER OF RESIDENTS OR NON- "RESIDENTS" IN PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS IN THE DISTRICT.
	All Ages..	Under 1.	1 and under 5.	5 and under 15.	15 and under 25.	25 and under 65.	65 and upwards.	Rochford.	Rayleigh.	Woking.	
Small-pox ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles ...	5	...	4	1	...	...	...	1	3	1	1
Scarlet Fever	2	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	2
Whooping Cough	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Diphtheria and } Memb. Croup	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	4
Croup ...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Fever { Typhus	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Enteric	7	...	...	1	3	3	...	...	2	5	4
Other continued	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Epidemic influenza	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	1	...	...
Cholera ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Plague ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Diarrhœa ...	18	14	4	...	...	...	...	8	10	...	5
Enteritis ...	4	...	...	...	...	1	3	2	1	1	1
Puerperal Fever	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...
Erysipelas ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...
Other septic diseases	2	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	2	...	...
Phthisis ...	14	...	...	...	3	10	1	3	8	3	10
Other Tubercular } Diseases ...	6	...	1	2	...	2	1	2	4	...	2
Cancer, Malignant } Disease ...	9	...	...	...	...	4	5	2	5	2	6
Bronchitis ...	18	5	2	...	...	1	10	4	12	2	1
Pneumonia ...	9	3	4	...	...	...	2	1	6	2	1
Pleurisy ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Diseases of } Respiratory Or- } gans ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Acoholism, Cirr- } hosis of Liver	4	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	2	1	2
Venereal Diseases	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Prcmature Birth	4	4	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	1	...
Diseases and Acci- } dents of Parturi- } tion ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Heart Diseases	32	...	...	1	...	9	22	6	21	5	7
Accidents ...	6	...	...	1	...	4	1	...	3	3	...
Suicides ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...
Congenital defects	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...
Infantile Wasting } Disease ...	10	10	...	...	...	...	...	2	7	1	1
Convulsions	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...
All Other Causes	54	2	1	2	1	12	36	15	33	6	28
All Causes...	215	42	18	10	8	55	82	50	128	37	77

TABLE V.

INFANTILE MORTALITY DURING THE YEAR 1906.

DEATHS FROM STATED CAUSES IN WEEKS AND MONTHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.

CAUSE OF DEATH.	Under 1 Week.	1-2 Weeks.	2-3 Weeks.	3-4 Weeks.	TOTAL UNDER 1 MONTH.	1-2 Months.	2-3 Months.	3-4 Months.	4-5 Months.	5-6 Months.	6-7 Months.	7-8 Months.	8-9 Months.	9-10 Months.	10-11 Months.	11-12 Months.	TOTAL DEATHS UNDER 1 YEAR.
Small-pox
Chicken-pox
Measles
Scarlet Fever
Diphtheria : Croup	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Whooping Cough
Diarrhœa, all forms	3	2	2	2	1	1	...	2	...	1	14
Enteritis, <i>not Tuberculous</i>
Gastritis, Gastro-intestinal Catarrh
Premature Birth	...	2	...	1	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Congenital Defects	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Injury at Birth
Want of Breast-milk	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Atrophy, Debility, Marasmus ...	5	1	...	...	6	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	9
Tuberculous Meningitis...
Tuberculous Peritonitis
Tabes Mesenterica
Other Tuberculous Diseases
Erysipelas
Syphilis
Rickets
Meningitis (<i>not Tuberculous</i>)
Convulsions ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Bronchitis	1	1	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	5
Laryngitis	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Pneumonia	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Suffocation, overlaying	1	...	...	...
Other Causes	1	...	1	2
	10	2	1	1	14	2	6	4	3	4	2	1	...	4	...	2	42

